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I just wanted to inform you personally that I have accepted a challenging offer from private industry which I cannot afford to turn down. Therefore, with much regret, I will be leaving the Agency on 23 September. My Deputy, Mr. Carl Duckett, will assume the role of Acting Director during the transition period.

May I again express my appreciation for the cooperation and assistance you have given us in pursuing scientific and technical progress of mutual interest.

Sincerely,

Albert D. Wheelon